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**UM TO HOST MONTANA SCIENCE FAIR APRIL 6-7**

**MISSOULA --**

Junior high and high school students from around the state will demonstrate their science skills during the 35th Montana Science Fair, set for April 6-7 in the University of Montana's Harry Adams Field House.

High school students in grades nine through 12 will compete for prizes in 13 categories: biochemistry, medicine and health, environmental studies, microbiology, physics, engineering, mathematics, zoology, behavioral and social sciences, earth and space sciences, chemistry, botany and computer science.

Junior high school students in grades seven and eight will compete in physical and biological sciences within their grade levels.

The top boy and girl in the high school category will win gold medals and an expense-paid trip to the International Science and Engineering Fair, set for May 6-12 in Tulsa, Okla.

Top award winners in the seventh- and eighth-grade categories will receive silver and bronze medals. A silver medal will go to the high school freshman with the best exhibit. All awards will be presented at a banquet at noon April 7 in UM's Gold Oak Room.

The fair, sponsored by UM with support from the Missoula

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Exchange Club, was founded in 1955 by Reuben Diettert, a former UM botany professor. He directed the fair for 18 years.

For more information, call Professor Jerry Esmay, director of the fair, at 243-2883.

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